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Helpers Among Us - Joe and Connie clean the field

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Connie and his human Joe Daly chase the geese away from Manchester Field a few times a day. COURTESY PHOTO/JOE DALY

If your shoes don't get messy when you're at Manchester Field, it might be thanks to Connie. The 4-year-old border collie runs around and chases the geese away several times a day.

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"I checked with the town's Recreation Department and they said it's OK," says Manchester Road resident Joe Daly.

He recalls that several years ago the town paid to have dogs chase the geese away.

"The geese know that when I open my house door that Connie's on his way and they take off even before he's on the field." (Yes, Connie's a male dog, and Daly says he looks like a wolf.)

Daly and his wife got Connie two years ago for their ninth-grade twins, Patrick and Lila.

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You probably know that cheerleaders appear at sporting events to cheer on their teams, but you might not know that cheerleading is a sport in its own right. Or that Winchester Cheer coaches volunteer to help girls and boys learn and compete in cheerleading. Middlesex Street resident Erin Black is

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Although Patti Reilly opened her boutique, Jules, about a year and a half ago, she's already discovered the generosity of Winchester residents. That's why she and her husband, John, decided to offer a 10% discount on one item to anyone who brings in "gently used children's clothing.

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Winchester School Committee candidates bring contrasting backgrounds to Thursday forum

Two candidates for Winchester's School Committee will face voters at a forum as the district navigates a new literacy curriculum, budget pressures and questions about student mental health. Heather von Mering and John Bellaire are competing for an open seat on the School Committee, which oversees a budget von

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